

Patent #1A

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application)	
Smith, et al.)	Examiner: Norca Torres-Velazquez
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Serial No.: Not yet assigned)	Group Art Unit: 1771
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Filed: Herewith)	Dept. Acct. No.: 04-1403
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Title: Carpet Backing Components)	
and Methods of Making and)	
Using the Same)	

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and prior to calculation of the fees, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following section before the "Background of the Invention".

Related Applications

a1
The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No.
09/261,130, which was filed on March 3, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1-49.

Please add the following claims:

a2
50. A carpet comprising:

09/261,130